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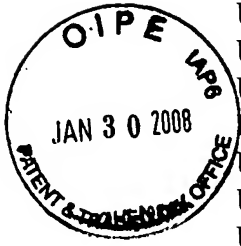
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Attached is a list of documents on Form PTO-1449, together with a copy of each identified foreign patent document and non-patent literature document. It is requested that these documents be considered by the Examiner and officially made of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP.

Applicants respectfully draw Examiner's attention to the following references listed below.

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